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## House Resolution No. 4370

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge special events experienced by Show-Me State residents who have been blessed by exceptionally long and productive lives; and

Whereas, born on October 21, 1918, in Claramore, Oklahoma, into the family of Elisardo V. and Felicia Garcia of Madrid, Spain, Fred Garcia will celebrated his Ninetieth Birthday with a gathering of family members and friends at Pietro's Restaurant on October 25, 2008; and

Whereas, after an enjoyable childhood filled with all types of educational and rewarding activities, Fred Garcia established a family of his own through his joyful marriage to Beatrice L. Garcia, who loved and cherished him with all of her heart until they were separated by her death; and

Whereas, the marital union of Fred and Beatrice Garcia has been blessed with two wonderful children, Karen E. Garcia and Michael J. Garcia; and

Whereas, Fred Garcia is a World War II veteran who received a Purple Heart and earned a Bronze Star medal; and

Whereas, a vibrant part of the twenty-first century, Fred Garcia enjoys a life that encompassed most of the twentieth century with its first flights by heavier-than-air craft, worldwide turmoil associated with World War I and World War II, rise of the automobile as America's preferred mode of travel, demise of the Soviet Union as the Cold War drew to a close, and shift from a primarily agricultural economy to one dependent upon industry and then upon the service and information sectors; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives pauses to commemorate momentous events in the lives of such stellar citizens as Fred Garcia:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the joyous arrival of the Ninetieth Birthday of Fred Garcia and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest congratulations upon attaining such a rare milestone in life and our best wishes for many more celebratory events in the future; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Fred Garcia of Saint Louis, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Representative Thomas A. Villa District No. 108

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4370, adopted October 14, 2008.